Effects of economic slowdown and drought on job opportunities

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SHRI SHIVANAND TIWARI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has collected information regarding loss of job opportunities in the country due to the negative effects of global economic slowdown and drought on the economy in 2008 and 2009;

(b) if so, the estimated loss of job opportunities in the country during 2008 and first six months of 2009; and

(c) the names of industries in the country where there have been loss of job opportunities alongwith the number thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) Yes, Sir. In order to assess the overall impact of the economic slowdown on employment, Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour and Employment conducted four quarterly surveys covering sectors like textiles, handloom/powerloom, metals, gems and jewellery, automobile, transport, IT/BPO, leather etc. for the period October-December, 2008, January- March, 2009, April-June, 2009 and July-September, 2009.

(b) and (c) As revealed by the results of last four quarterly surveys employment declined by 4.91 lakh during the quarter October-December, 2008; increased by 2.76 lakh during January-March, 2009; again declined by 1.31 lakh during April-June, 2009 and further increased by 4.97 lakh during the quarter July-September, 2009. Thus overall estimated employment in the selected sectors has experienced a net addition of 1.51 lakh during the last one year period *i.e.* from October, 2008 to September, 2009. A Statement indicating sector-wise changes in estimated employment based on various quarterly survey results is given in the Statement.

Statement

Sector-wise changes in estimated employment based on four quarterly surveys results

(in lakh)

Sl. No.	Industry/Group	Changes in employment during				
		Dec., 08 over Sep., 08	Mar, 09 over Dec., 08	Jun, 09 over Mar., 09	Sep., 09 over June, 09	Oct., 08 to Dec., 09
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Mining	-0.11	NC	NC	NC	-0.11

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2.	Textiles	-1.72	2.08	-1.54	3.18	2.00
3.	Leather	NC	-0.33	0.07	-0.08	-0.34
4.	Metals	-1.06	-0.29	-0.01	0.65	-0.71
5.	Automobiles	-0.83	0.02	0.23	0.24	-0.34
6.	Gems and Jewellery	-0.99	0.33	-0.20	0.58	-0.28
7.	Transport	-0.96	-0.04	-0.01	0.00	-1.01
8.	IT/BPO	0.76	0.92	-0.34	0.26	1.60
9.	Handloom/Powerloom	NC	0.07	0.49	0.15	0.71
	Overall	-4.91	2.76	-1.31	4.97	1.51

NC-Not covered.

Note: Totals may not tally due to rounding off errors

Reduction in job opportunities due to global economic slowdown

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SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that global economic slowdown has led to the reduction in job opportunities in India;

(b) if so, the estimated reduction;

(c) the names of industries with the number of job reduction opportunities in India; and

(d) the number of job opportunities therefrom, where skilled and non-skilled workers were employed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) to (d) Ministry of Labour and Employment conducted four Quarterly Employment Surveys in which selected important sectors *viz.* Mining, Textile, Metals, Gems and Jewellery, Automobile, Transport and IT/BPO were covered. By comparing the results of different quarters, it has been observed that overall estimated employment in the selected sectors during the period October, 2008 to September, 2009 increased by 1.51 lakh jobs. However quarterly estimates are given below. Employment declined by 4.91 lakh during the quarter October-December, 2008; increased by 2.76 lakh during January-March, 2009; again declined by 1.31 lakh during April-June, 2009; and now increased by 4.97 lakh during the quarter July-September, 2009. Thus, even on the basis of these small sample surveys, 4.91 lakh workers lost their jobs during October-December,

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